

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on March 26, 2008. Further, this communication follows an interview between Applicant's representative Chris J. Volkmann and Examiner Kim conducted on July 17, 2008. During that interview, Applicant's representative discussed independent claims 1 and 19 and the cited Dayal reference. Further, Applicant proposed several amendments to the claims. Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for his time and consideration in conducting the interview.

With this Amendment, claims 1, 3-6, 10, 14, 19, 20, 22-24 and 28 are amended and claim 21 is cancelled. In view of the following, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3-8, 15-18, and 19-23 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Dayal (U.S. Pub. No. 2004/0172385) in view of Reinhardt (U.S. Pat. No. 6,772,164). Further, claim 9 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Dayal in view of Reinhardt, and further in view of Brandli (U.S. Pat. No. 5,701,469). Claims 10 and 24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Dayal in view of Reinhardt, and further in view of Official Notice. Claims 11-13 and 25-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Dayal in view of Reinhardt, and further in view of Official Notice, and further in view of Brandli. Claims 14 and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Dayal in view of Reinhardt, and further in view of Official Notice, and further in view of Brandli, and further in view of Guturu (U.S. Pat. No. 6,581,075).

Herewith, Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to recite "providing a user with access to a plurality of predefined pause rates", "receiving a user input that selects one of the plurality of predefined pause rates for accessing data in the business data database", and "setting a period of time to pause between accessing an entry in the business data database and accessing a next entry in the business data database based upon the predefined pause rate selected by the user." During the interview, the Examiner indicated that this amendment to claim 1 would overcome the present rejection of claim 1. It is respectfully submitted that independent claim 1 is neither taught nor suggested by the cited references and is in allowable form.

Independent claim 19 has been amended to recite receiving an indication from the user indicating a user-desired pause rate for accessing entries in the business data database and setting a period of time to pause between accessing entries in the business data database based upon the indicated user-desired pause rate. Further, claim 19 as amended recites detecting a current load on the business data database, calculating an adjusted pause rate as a function of the user-desired pause rate and the current load detected on the business data database, and setting the period of time to pause between entries in the business data database based upon the adjusted pause rate. During the interview, the Examiner indicated that this amendment to claim 19 would overcome the present rejection of claim 19. It is respectfully submitted that independent claim 19 is neither taught nor suggested by the cited references and is in allowable form.


For at least these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that independent claims 1 and 19, and related dependent claims 3-18, 20, and 22-28, are neither taught nor suggested by the cited references and are in allowable form.

In conclusion, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in proper form and are allowable over the references cited by the Examiner. Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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